

# **Training Manual**

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#### Overview of the Rules

#### Introduction

Dakota Stud is a variation of Let it Ride®. It is a five-card stud poker game that uses a standard 52-card deck. In Dakota Stud, players combine three hole cards with two community cards to form a five-card poker hand. It takes a pair of 6s or better to win. Dakota Stud is a paytable game; players do not compete against each other or against the dealer.

### **Dealing Procedures**

Dealing procedures vary by jurisdiction. Please refer to the appropriate gaming agency for regulations specific to your jurisdiction. Shuffle Master recommends dealing Dakota Stud with the ACE® shuffler.

- 1. Players must make four equal bets in the circles marked (\$), (1), (2) and (3).
- 2. Working from left to right, the dealer gives each player three hole cards face down. Once all players have cards, the dealer places two community cards face down in front of the chip tray.
- 3. The dealer then presses the green button on the shuffler to dispense the remaining cards. This also initiates shuffling the deck for the next round of play.
- 3. Players now decide if they want to remove the (1) bet or leave it in action. If they want to remove this bet, they must scratch the table with their cards. Players are not allowed to touch live bets.
- 4. The dealer then reveals the first community card (the card on his left).
- 5. Players now make their second and final decision—whether to remove the (2) bet. If players remove the (2) bet, they automatically forfeit the (3) bet. The (\$) bet always stays in action.
- 6. The dealer then reveals the second community card and reconciles all hands.
  - a. Working from right to left, the dealer exposes each players hand and combines them with the community cards. All bets left in action win if the player's final hand is a pair of 6s or higher. Odds printed on table. When the player wins, all bets left in action receive odds payouts.
  - b. If the player does not have at least a pair of 6s, all bets left in action lose.



# **Paytable**

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Royal flush	500 to 1
Straight flush	100 to 1
Four of a kind	40 to 1
Full house	9 to 1
Flush	5 to 1
Straight	4 to 1
Three of a kind	3 to 1
Two pair	2 to 1
6s or better	1 to 1
House edge:	4.2%
Hit frequency:	36.9%

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